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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2005–06 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 232

Introduced by Assembly Members Arambula and Jerome Horton
(Coauthors: Senators Alquist and Florez)

February 7, 2005

An act relating to community colleges to amend Sections 66055 and 66055.5 of the Education Code, relating to registered nursing programs, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 232, as amended, Arambula. ~~Community colleges: registered.~~
Registered nursing programs: California Community Colleges: California State University: California Workforce Investment Board.

Under

(1) Under existing law, the California Community Colleges are administered by the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges. Existing law requires the board of governors to appoint a chief executive officer, who is known as the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges. Existing law authorizes the establishment of community college districts to provide instruction at campuses throughout the state.

Under existing law, the California State University is administered by the Trustees of the California State University, who operate and maintain various campuses of the university throughout the state. Existing law authorizes the trustees to delegate authority to an executive officer known as the Chancellor of the California State University.

This bill would require the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges and the Chancellor of the California State University to

collaborate to adopt prerequisites for registered nurse training programs that would be accepted by both the California Community Colleges and the California State University for admission to nursing prelicensure programs.

(2) Under existing law, the California Workforce Investment Board is established by executive order of the Governor pursuant to the federal Workforce Investment Act of 1998. Under existing law, local workforce investment boards administer local workforce investment areas that are designated based on population and commonality of labor market.

This bill would appropriate \$45,000,000 from the General Fund to the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges for allocation, without regard to fiscal year, to provide for enrollment growth in community college registered nursing programs. California Workforce Investment Board for allocation of grants to local workforce investment boards to promote enrollment in registered nursing training programs.

The bill would provide that the amount appropriated in the bill would be applied, as prescribed, toward the minimum funding requirements for school districts and community college districts imposed by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California Constitution.

Vote: majority $\frac{2}{3}$. Appropriation: yes. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 ~~SECTION 1. The sum of forty-five million dollars~~
2 ~~(\$45,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to~~
3 ~~the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges for~~
4 ~~allocation, without regard to fiscal year, to provide for enrollment~~
5 ~~growth in community college registered nursing programs.~~
6 ~~SEC. 2. For the purposes of making the computations~~
7 ~~required by Section 8 of Article XVI of the California~~
8 ~~Constitution, the appropriation made by Section 1 shall be~~
9 ~~deemed to be "General Fund revenues appropriated for~~
10 ~~community college districts," as defined in subdivision (d) of~~
11 ~~Section 41202 of the Education Code, for the fiscal year or years~~
12 ~~in which the funds thereby appropriated are allocated, and~~
13 ~~included within the "total allocations to school districts and~~
14 ~~community college districts from General Fund proceeds of taxes~~

1 ~~appropriated pursuant to Article XIII B,” as defined in~~
2 ~~subdivision (e) of Section 41202 of the Education Code, for that~~
3 ~~fiscal year.~~

4 *SECTION 1. Section 66055 of the Education Code is*
5 *amended to read:*

6 66055. (a) Not later than September 1, 2005, the Chancellor
7 of the California Community Colleges shall do all of the
8 following:

9 ~~(a)~~

10 (1) Encourage community college districts to standardize all
11 nursing program prerequisites on a statewide basis.

12 ~~(b)~~

13 (2) Encourage community college districts to negotiate and
14 implement articulation agreements with the campuses of the
15 California State University to which they send a significant
16 number of nursing students.

17 ~~(c)~~

18 (3) Implement the recommendations of the Intersegmental
19 Major Preparation Articulated Curriculum (IMPAC) project not
20 later than September 1, 2004.

21 (b) *The Chancellor of the California Community Colleges shall*
22 *collaborate with the Chancellor of the California State*
23 *University to adopt prerequisites for registered nurse training*
24 *programs that would be accepted by both the California*
25 *Community Colleges and the California State University for*
26 *admission to nursing prelicensure programs.*

27 *SEC. 2. Section 66055.5 of the Education Code is amended to*
28 *read:*

29 66055.5. (a) Not later than September 1, 2005, the Chancellor
30 of the California State University shall do all of the following:

31 ~~(a)~~

32 (1) Standardize all nursing education program prerequisites for
33 the various campuses of the California State University on a
34 systemwide basis.

35 ~~(b)~~

36 (2) Require the campuses of the university that maintain
37 nursing education programs to negotiate and implement
38 articulation agreements with community college districts from
39 which they receive a significant number of nursing students.

40 ~~(c)~~

1 (3) Implement the recommendations of the Intersegmental
2 Major Preparation Articulated Curriculum (IMPAC) project not
3 later than September 1, 2004.

4 (b) *The Chancellor of the California State University shall*
5 *collaborate with the Chancellor of the California Community*
6 *Colleges to adopt prerequisites for registered nurse training*
7 *programs that would be accepted by both the California*
8 *Community Colleges and the California State University for*
9 *admission to nursing prelicensure programs.*

10 SEC. 3. The sum of forty-five million dollars (\$45,000,000)
11 is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the California
12 Workforce Investment Board for allocation of grants to local
13 workforce investment boards to promote enrollment in registered
14 nursing training programs.